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SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT COMPRISING

**FUNCTIONAL MODES** 

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

## Examiner:

In response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2004, Applicants provisionally elect the claims directed towards the Species I (claim nos. 1-7 and 10-15), with traverse. Claims 1-15 are pending.

As set forth in MPEP §803, if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though the application contains claims to independent and distinct inventions.

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While the method of the first and second species may be distinct for the reasons set forth by the Examiner, Applicants believe that simultaneous examination will not present an undue burden. For example, the claims of the first and second species are drawn to "An integrated circuit device comprising a pin for receiving a direct current voltage component signal..." (see claims 1, 8 and 10). Applicants believe that no extraneous examination should result from any distinction between the claim groups.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the restriction requirement and examination of all claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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